(b) whether he is unable to read or write Urdu ;

(c) if the answer be in the affirmative, the reasons why he is kept in the school where everything is taught in Urdu ; and

(d) how long he has been working in the said school ?

A.—(a) He has passed the English and Tamil branches of the B.A. degree examination.

(b) & (c) His vernacular is Hindustani (Urdu) and his work is reported to be satisfactory.

(d) From 18th June 1926.

Khan Sahib K. ABDUL HYE SAHIB Bahadur :—"May I know whether the Headmaster is able to read and write Hindustani and take classes in Hindustani ?"

The hon. the PRESIDENT :—"The hon. Member is requested to repeat the question."

Khan Sahib K. ABDUL HYE SAHIB Bahadur :—"May I ask whether the Headmaster is able to write and read and speak Hindustani, Sir ?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—"It is said that his vernacular is Hindustani."

Khan Sahib K. ABDUL HYE SAHIB Bahadur :—"I want to know whether he is able to read and write and teach Hindustani ?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—"I am afraid I cannot give the information."

Khan Sahib K. ABDUL HYE SAHIB Bahadur :—"May I ask the hon. the Chief Minister if he would ask the Director of Public Instruction ?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—"Yes, I will call for the information."

Mr. P. SIVA RAO :—"Is he able to read Hindustani ?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—"I said in answer, that perhaps the reading of Hindustani is not necessary for his work.'

Mr. P. SIVA RAO :—"He is a teacher, Sir."

Location of the Government Muhammadan Training School for Women, Bellary.

*1449 Q.—Khan Sahib K. ABDUL HYE SAHIB Bahadur : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the public of Bellary have protested against the location of the Government Muhammadan Training School for Women at Bellary in its present building ;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Deputy Directress of Public Instruction inspected the building and found it unsatisfactory ;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Deputy Directress recommended to Government the shifting of the school from its present building to another more spacious one ; and

(d) if so, which building was recommended and what action Government have taken in the matter ?

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A.—(*a*) Yes. A copy of the proceedings of a public meeting of one section of the Mussalmans of Bellary protesting against the retention of the school in the present building was received by the Director of Public Instruction. At the same time, a memorial praying for the continuance of the school in the present building was also received from another body of Mussalmans.

(*b*) & (*c*) No.

(*d*) The question does not arise

Khan Sahib K. ABDUL HYE SAHIB Bahadur :—" May I know, Sir, with reference to clause (*b*) whether it is a fact that the Deputy Directress of Public Instruction inspected the building and thought it to be unsatisfactory some time ago ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I want notice, Sir."

Mr. P. SIVA RAO :—" Did she inspect the building at all ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I am not sure at all."

Mr. P. SIVA RAO :—" May I know, Sir, what is the report, if any ? "

Rental value of the buildings for the Government Muhammadan Training School for Women, Bellary.

* 1450 *Q.*—Khan Sahib K. ABDUL HYE SAHIB Bahadur : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the building for the Government Muhammadan Training School for Women at Bellary is a rented one ;

(*b*) if so, what is the rent Government have been paying for the said building ; and

(*c*) on whose advice the rent for the said school building was sanctioned and whether at the time of fixing the rent the local rental value of buildings was taken into consideration ?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Rupees 75 a month.

(*c*) The rent was sanctioned on the advice of the Director of Public Instruction and in consultation with the officers of the Public Works Department.

Mr. P. SIVA RAO :—" With reference to (*c*) it is stated that the rent was sanctioned on the advice of the Director of Public Instruction and in consultation with the officers of the Public Works Department. Who are those officers ? Were they the local officers or the Executive Engineer of the District ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" Naturally they must be local officers, Sir."

Promotions to the M.E.S. grade.

* 1451 *Q.*—Khan Sahib K. ABDUL HYE SAHIB Bahadur : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that two persons were recently promoted to the M.E.S. grade although they were non-L.T.'s. ;